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Turley Publications photo by Mike Lydick

AGAWAM - The Phelps School PTO recently honored Theresa Urbinati, the school's retired principal (right) by dedicating a new sign in front of the school to her. A brass plate installed at the top of the new sign is engraved with Urbinati's name and years as principal. Here, members of the PTO – (I to r) Kim Cohen, secretary, Nicole Turgeon, treasurer, Anthony Morello, vice president, and April Oyler, president – and current principal Noelle Colbert (second from the right) talk with Urbinati during the dedication ceremony. Urbinati taught in Agawam for more than 25 years – the last six as principal at Phelps – before retiring in June. Phelps School is the last school in town to get a sign to list activities at the school.

Mill Street property added to wireless overlay district

By Gregory A. Scibelli Turley Publications Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam City Council is calling on the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) to utilize their ordinance for wireless communications towers to seek an expert opinion into an application that is forthcoming by Verizon Wireless.

On Monday night at the council's regular meeting, the city

council unanimously approved the second reading of a zone change to add a parcel of land located at 491 Mill Street to be added to the Wireless Communications Overlay District.

City Council President Christopher Johnson is concerned Verizon Wireless has not properly vetted potential sites in Agawam to cure their lack of coverage in the central area of town.

Councilor Robert Rossi echoed Johnson's concerns. He further speculated that Verizon Wireless' interests in building the tower are financial.

"I don't know if this is the best place for the tower," said Rossi. "My understanding is that there had to be a new tower in this area. But I think they have a financial interest in this location. I don't think they want to piggyback on another company's tower. I would really like more info than I am being shown."

Johnson said the council does not have the ability to require Verizon Wireless to provide the town with funds to hire an expert to confirm the Mill Street location is the best place to put a tower. He says the ZBA, however, can make that requirement when the applicants go in front of them for site plan approval.

While he was unhappy with the procedure, he did say he was not totally against the zone change.

"I think we should pass the zone change," said Johnson. "If the town's expert verifies that is the best site, then put the tower there."

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Rotary's Harvest Festival offers food, fun, and prizes

By Mike Lydick Turley Publications Correspondent

It's a classic fall event with everything from arts and crafts to musical entertainment to antique cars to children's activities. And food -- lots of food.

It's the much-anticipated Agawam Rotary Club Harvest Festival and Family Fun Day. Set for Sat., Oct. 18 (rain date, Oct. 19), from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., it will be on the Veteran's Green between Main and School streets, near Phelps School. The event combines a traditional New England fall festival with a variety of fun activities.

Susanne deVillier, club treasurer, chairs this year's festival planning committee. She said the festival is the Rotary's largest fund-raising event.

"This is how we raise most of our money that we donate to various groups in Agawam," she said.

The eighth annual festival will benefit the youth of Agawam with festival proceeds split between the Rotary's scholarship fund for graduating seniors and the newly-opened Agawam YMCA Wellness & Program Family Center.

Rotarian George Bitzas, an Agawam City Councilor who also serves on the festival planning committee, said this year's festival

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Visitors at last year's Agawam Rotary Club Harvest Festival and Family Fun Day line up for hamburgers and hot dogs from the Agawam Lions Club booth. This year's festival will be held Sat., Oct. 18 on the Veteran's Green between Main and School streets.

Some city councilors unhappy with golf course

Mayor calls special meeting

By Gregory A. Scibelli Turley Publications Correspondent

AGAWAM – The battle is not over with the concerns over the business practices of the Agawam Municipal Golf Course despite a very positive meeting called last Thursday by Mayor Richard Cohen.

Following a terse encounter with the attorney for Golf Course General Manager Tony Roberto and Course Superintendent Dan Shea at a workshop scheduled by the city council on Sept. 29, Mayor Richard Cohen immediately called for a second meeting by exercising Section 3-5 of the Agawam Home Rule Charter. Cohen convened the city council, the Golf Commission, the city solicitor, treasurer and auditor.

Each councilor was given the individual opportunity to ask questions of the town employees. Several councilors were encouraged by an opening statement made by Roberto discussing the many improvements that have taken place in the past year. Five of those councilors said they were pleased to see the golf course moving in the right direction. Two others still had questions about the previous financial woes of the golf course. Three other councilors, who did not attend the meeting, are still seeking an investigation into the financial records of the golf course.

Cohen addressed concerns by councilors over the spending of \$60,000 in town funds to re-pave the parking lot. He said there are liability concerns with the condition of the lot. He also said all paving projects that were scheduled last year were completed, and the funds used were left over in the paving account.

"No roads were left unpaved because we used the money for the parking lot," said Cohen.

Council President Christopher Johnson said he still has many questions about the financial practices of the golf course. He notes nearly \$49,000 was budgeted for pro shop merchandise in fiscal year 2014, and about \$32,000 came in as revenue.

"It means he was selling a lot of that merchandise at a loss," said Johnson.

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Last week's photo: Correctly identifying Darcy Davis were Carol A. Miller, Norma Cirillo Turcotte, Teresa Kozloski, Bill Beard and Ron Lalancette.

Upcoming fundraiser to benefit lifelong resident



A fundraiser is scheduled for Oct. 27 to benefit Agawam resident Bradley Heinbokel, pictured here with his wife, Becky, in his battle with neck and throat cancer.

AGAWAM - Bradley Heinbokel, a lifelong Agawam resident, father of three, husband of over 25 years, supportive son and cherished brother, and a friend to many, has been diagnosed with stage 4 neck and throat cancer.

He is not able to work, as the treatment he receives is very aggressive, and he does not qualify for assistance or disability. Bradley's family has come together to help support him in his battle, but cannot do it alone. They are relying on the generosity of the community, family and friends for support with a benefit scheduled for Monday, Oct. 27 at Take 5 Restaurant, located at 944 Springfield St. in Feeding Hills.

Tickets for the event, which will be sold at the door, are \$20 per person and include a full buffet. There will also be a raffle and a cash bar.

The family has also set up a site at www. gofundme.com/di94ig for monetary donations or they may be mailed to Michele Minniear, 88 Verdugo St., West Springfield, MA 01089.

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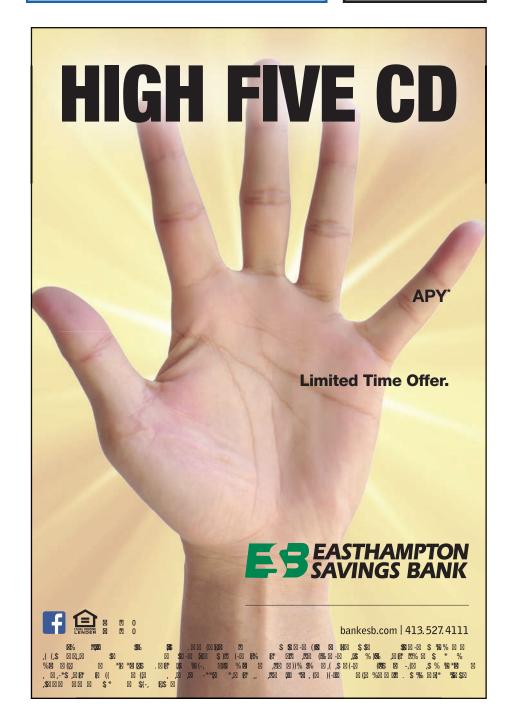
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Planning Board chomps on Dunkin Donuts

By Christopher Faille

AGAWAM – The Planning Board has unanimously approved site plan changes for the Dunkin Donuts under construction at 389 Main Street, subject to Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) approval.

Rob Levesque, of R. Levesque Associates, Westfield, presented the proposed plan changes to the board on Oct. 2. They modified the plan approved a year ago for the plot of roughly 2,200 square feet, yet the basic features of the plan remain the same: A drive-through window, a drive-through lane, a pass-through lane, and a dumpster in the rear of the building.

Traffic through the plot will be one way (two lanes) in a counter-clockwise motion. But Levesque told the board that there is a utility pole in the corner of the lot and this has presented problems, creating the need for some modification of the proposed lanes.

"We thought we'd be able to move [the pole] a bit, but we can't," he said.

So they've adjusted the lanes to go around it. Other changes involve asphalt at the southeast corner of the, and reworking of the

Those changes required little discussion receiving tacit approval from the board, but there was some more spirited discussion about a proposed change involving a patio. The revised site plan calls for outdoor, sitdown eating.

"We'd like to have three tables up front," Levesque said.

This would have to be approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals. But at this Planning Board meeting, it was Deb Dachos, Agawam's director of Planning and Community Development, who took the lead in pressing discussion of the patio. She asked whether there would be a curb between the patio and the street.

Levesque said there was no curb along this stretch of Main Street.

"Are you concerned about cars jumping,"

She said that she was, and she suggested that was also something about which the ZBA might also be concerned.

"You may want to think about bollards,"

Levesque said that even if the developers don't get approval of the patio part of the plan, they will proceed with the rest of it. Dachos and and Planning Board Vice Chair David Chase both indicated that they would like to see approval of the patio, but some barrier against traffic may be necessary. There was discussion of whether present plans allow for a fence, but Levesque said that the only fencing planned was decorative, and would be no real barrier to traffic. There was also some discussion of the use of real rocks as a barrier instead of bollards.

But after a fair amount of discussion the board decided to leave the traffic-barrier issue to further work between the developer and the ZBA. The board approved of the site plans proposed subject to ZBA approval.

Turley Publications Correspondent

AGAWAM - Residents of Rowley St. and neighboring streets had their voices heard once again as the Agawam City Council voted down a zone change for the D'Amato family at 105 Rowley Street.

By Gregory A. Scibelli

City councilors sympathized with the D'Amato family's situation, but believed the zone change was not justified; that it only benefited the D'Amato family versus the community at large, and went against the town's practice of not approving spot-zoning.

Several residents spoke out during the Planning Board's public hearing of the zone change two weeks ago. The Planning Board made a 4-0 vote not to recommend the zone change. In his letter to the city council, Planning Board Chairman Mark Paleologopoulos said he believed a zone change should benefit the entire community. That was not the case in the D'Amato's application.

Michael Parker, attorney for the D'Amato family, said the Planning Board discounted the opinion of all city departments in evaluating their application for a zone change.

"Not one town department had a problem with what we are proposing," Parker told the council at the continuation of the public hearing Monday night. "We had about five neighbors who spoke out against.'

Parker said the concerns raised about traffic are invalid because no studies were conducted by the opposing neighbors. He admitted there could be additional traffic in the neighborhood, but believed it would not pose a significant problem.

Related to traffic, Parker noted the police and fire departments had no objection to the

"Î don't think this zone change will bother

anyone in the city," said Parker.

Council rejects Rowley

Street zone change

Ed Shibley, of Rowley St., said he felt there were alternatives to the D'Amatos' plans to subdivide the 105 Rowley Street property into eight or nine parcels and build duplex houses.

"They have already utilized property they have in residential to build four duplexes they can build by right," said Shibley. "I feel like they have other alternatives."

Dave Smith, another resident, said he felt building duplexes in the area would attract absentee landlords and transient, or nonpermanent residents to Agawam. He would rather see single-family homes that draw permanent residents who will be paying taxes to the town.

Councilor Robert Rossi said he gave a lot consideration to the application, but does not understand why duplexes would sell easier than single-family homes. Councilor George Bitzas said the negatives, especially the neighbors' objections, outweigh the positives. Councilor Joseph Mineo said he opposes spot zoning.

Councilor James Cichetti said the Legislative Sub-committee met on the issue. They did not make a recommendation to the full council because they wanted to hear what the residents had to say at the public hearing.

The council unanimously voted against the zone change, killing the D'Amato's pro-

The D'Amato family was seeking the zone change to aid James D'Amato, who is 63 and mentally challenged. Parker said the family was hoping to sell the building lots to make money for the care of James for the remainder of his life.

The parcel of property was zoned agricultural, which does not allow for duplex housing to be constructed.

Police department warns of phone scam

AGAWAM - Detective Sgt. Steven Grasso has issued a warning to residents regarding a telephone scam that is occurring statewide. The scam involves the caller posing as an Internal Revenue Service representative and making allegations that money is owed to the IRS that must be paid immediately.

There have also been reports that the "caller" claims those receiving the calls are entitled to a large IRS refund. Both are scams. The IRS will send correspondence by mail before contacting anyone by telephone. An IRS agent will not ask for credit card, debit card or prepaid card information over

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The public is invited. Admission is free and the museum will be closed for the season after Oct. 19. For more information, visit www.agawamhistoricalassociation.org or email agawamhistoricalassoc@gmail.com.







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Opinion

Meeting productive, but compromise still needed

It was a tale of "home field advantage" last week between the Agawam City Council and the management of the Agawam Municipal Golf Course.

In the first meeting, called for and run by the city council, it was the council that found themselves doing most of the talking after golf course management left the meeting.

Three days later, golf course management answered questions and had the opportunity to laud the improvements and accomplishments of the golf course in a meeting called by the town administration and held at the golf course.

What is unfortunate about the two meetings is that the issue still does not seem to be resolved for the entire city council.

Some councilors were very happy with how the meeting went last Thursday. Councilor James Cichetti commented that the meeting is what should have happened the first time, but called the information exchange good. A number of councilors shared Cichetti's view.

But Councilor Robert Rossi left the meeting feeling unsatisfied and still has questions about the financials of the golf course. He called the meeting a "pep rally" and wants an investigation to happen. His view is shared by at least three other councilors.

Mayor Richard Cohen did a good thing by intervening after last Monday's disaster of a meeting. He brought all the proper pieces together, the council, the golf course management, the Golf Commission, the city solicitor, the treasurer/collector, and the auditor.

What will it take to satisfy the questions of the remaining city councilors? What is even more confusing about that question is that the councilors are questioning the financial practices of the golf course, yet Cohen reports the golf course's budget was certified and approved by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue. If something is really wrong, where is the hole in this process that it got past state officials?

But Rossi also asks an important question. He is projecting, based on the revenues of the course at the end of September that course revenues will still come in below the budgeted expenditures. If that is the case, how many more years can the golf course have their operating budget lowered? Just a few years ago, the golf course had an operating budget of more than \$800,000.

So while some answers finally came last Thursday when the golf course management had the home advantage, it still appears there are many more questions to be answered.

The investigation resolution remains on the city council table. So now the biggest question is whether or not the majority of the council will leave this alone and allow the management to continue trying to improve the course or call for the investigation.

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Letter to the Editor

DiSanti looking good

To the editor:

I have been watching the state representative race and I have to say that Sam DiSanti is looking better every day. I like his platform and I like the ideas he has put forth as a centerpiece of his campaign.

Just consider the important issues he has discussed. First, he is a Democrat and it's my opinion that Agawam will better benefit by a Democrat representing us in the Legislature. Second, Sam has advocated for more drug treatment centers to fight the opiate addiction that hits almost every family in one way or another. Third, Sam supports veterans and having them treated with respect and receiv-

ing medical treatment quickly as needed. Fourth, Sam has talked about supporting legislation to fund infrastructure programs to create jobs.

Sounds to me like Sam's platform is right on target to help our district. It is a balance of reality, hope and creativity, which our district needs. Sam is trying to get his message out to the people and with a big vote expected to come out on Nov. 4 because of the many races and questions on the ballet, I ask people to consider Sam DiSanti as a vote for state representative, which I think is in the best interest of the Agawam residents.

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News

"Broken but still usable"

Recently I came to the realization that everyone in this world is broken. It doesn't matter where you come from, how old you are, how much money you have or anything else you can think of, we are all broken. In our brokenness we fall into two categories.

The first category is for those who are living in denial of their brokenness. These people will do anything to mask or cover-up how broken they are.

The rise in heroin usage, the need to drink until you forget all the ways in which we cover the pain that we feel is about denying that we are broken. Almost as if we could ignore the brokenness and it would go away.

The second group is for those who are broken and looking for an answer. There is some overlap here but I imagine most of us fall into this category. We can try to be the best at what we do or use money or success to prove that we aren't broken. Sometimes we try to be per-

fectionists hoping that will fix our brokenness. Still others pursue religion in all its forms. We are all looking for a fix to this condition that we all possess.

The only true fix to our brokenness comes through Jesus Christ. For God so loved the world that He came down in the form of His Son Jesus and lived amongst us. God wanted to heal us and knew that being one of us would help us in being able to listen to what He had to say. Jesus ultimately came to die to fix our brokenness. Because Jesus was perfect He

didn't need to die, so when He did die He gained the ability to offer us a fix. All we have to do is accept that fix as a free gift from Jesus.

Sounds simple enough, but it is in fact more complicated than we often believe. The gift is free, but that doesn't mean the gift doesn't cost us anything. This is a gift that once we receive it we are radically changed. Many of us don't really want to be changed just fixed, so often times we think we can accept the

gift and then go back to the way we were. Transformation is a key indicator for knowing that we have truly accepted Jesus' free gift to us. If you think you have been fixed, but there has been no change in your life you may need to revisit your acceptance of the gift.

Though we are fixed by Jesus' gift we still remain broken until we leave this life, so even followers of Jesus still live broken lives. The good news is that God wants to involve us in sharing this fix

with others even while we remain broken. People like the Apostle Peter were used to share the good news and Peter has numerous stories in the Bible of his brokenness. My hope for you is that you will find the answer to your brokenness and that answer is Jesus Christ. Give Him a look and see what you find before you break even more.

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Flu clinics to be offered

AGAWAM - The Agawam Health Department will hold a flu clinic Thursday, Oct. 16 by appointment only. To make an appointment, call 786-0400 ext. 8207.

An additional flu clinic will be held Monday, Oct. 20 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Agawam Senior Center for Agawam residents over the age of 65. Those attending are asked to bring all insurance cards with them

Free Halloween party for area youth

AGAWAM - Heritage Woods Senior Living will host a free community Halloween party for all children ages 12 and under Saturday, Oct. 25 from 10 a.m. to noon. Children can come dressed in their costumes and enjoy a haunted house, Halloween games, activities and goodies.

Those interested in attending are asked to register by Oct. 22 by calling 413-789-8332 or email nicole.wallace@genesishcc.

Resident secures movie deal with Sony

AGAWAM - Agawam resident Mark Del Negro, the chief executive officer and president of Mad Chaos Productions, recently secured a theatrical distribution deal with Sony to showcase his movie, "Blood Reservoir," to be featured in up to 3,000 theaters nationwide.

The nearest Sony Digital Theater is the Entertainment Cinema on St. James Avenue in Springfield, where the movie will premiere Friday, Oct. 24 and will run until Thursday, Oct. 30 with several show times

Del Negro produced and directed this feature, which stars Felissa Rose and Jonathan Tierstan, both of "Sleepaway Camp" fame, a major cult classic to horror fans worldwide. In addition to the theatrical distribution, Mad Chaos Productions is currently in talks with six distribution companies to have the movie receive releases on DVD, iTunes, Netflix, Amazon Instant Access, Red Box and Video on Demand in early 2015.

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will be "one great event that will benefit two great causes." He said the festival not only raises funds for the Rotary, but it also brings the community together with fun events for friends and families.

"Having this free community event is another way the Rotary gives back to our community," he said.

Raffle prizes

Bitzas, the club's immediate past president, is overseeing raffle ticket sales as well as arranging entertainment and promoting the festival. Unlike past years, when the Rotary sold tickets for a 50/50 raffle, 17 valuable prizes will be raffled this year.

"Thanks to the generous donations of several area businesses and individuals, we have \$3,000 worth of prizes," Bitzas said.

Among the top prizes are a one-year family membership to the Agawam YMCA (a \$650 value), a golf outing for four at the Ranch Golf Club in Southwick (a \$400 value), and a golf outing for four at the Oakridge Golf Course in Feeding Hills (a \$200 value). There's also a mission bracket clock from Stickley Furniture in Enfield (a \$170 value), and two golf outings for four at the Agawam Municipal Golf Course (a value of \$140 each).

Additionally, seven cash prizes ranging in value from \$100 to \$200 have been donated by local individuals and businesses. Other prizes include two tickets from Six Flags New England (a \$120 value) a one-on-one golf lesson with Anthony Roberto (the pro at the Agawam Municipal Golf Course), a gift certificate for dinner for four at Storrowton Tavern (a \$150 value), and a gift certificate from the Parthenon Restaurant (a \$50 value)

"These are valuable prizes for a small



A visitor to the 2013 Agawam Rotary Club Harvest Festival and Family Fun Day snaps pictures of autos lined up on School Street for the festival's popular antique car show. Festival organizers hope to attract another collection of vintage vehicles for this year's show.

price: \$1 for a single ticket or \$5 for six tickets," said Bitzas.

Tickets are available from Rotary members and at the Agawam YMCA. They also will be sold during the festival.

Susanne deVillier, Agawam branch manager of the Easthampton Savings Bank, the festival's major sponsor, said the Rotary hopes to sell 1,000 raffle tickets.

"If we sell all the tickets, we'll raise \$5,000," she said.

Bitzas added that everyone who purchases a raffle ticket will be a winner.

"Every ticket comes with a three-day pass to the Agawam YMCA printed on the back," he said. "That means that someone buying six tickets can enjoy the free use of the Y for 18 days, regardless of whether they win any other prizes."

Food, crafts and entertainment

Decorations provided by Cecchi Farms will help give the festival more of a fall look – and pay homage to Agawam's farming

heritage. Country music fans can enjoy the sounds of Southern Rain, a top 40 country band, when they perform at 12 p.m. More entertainment will be provided by a live DJ all day long, plus performances by the AHS Marching Mohawks, Agawam cheerleaders, the Rosie Robotics Team and the Academy of Artistic Performance.

The festival and the Agawam Fire Dept., which will hold its annual open house that same Saturday, are encouraging visitors to attend both events. A shuttle bus will run regularly between the festival and the AFD's Main Street headquarters.

For craft lovers, there will be 55 craft vendors -14 of them new.

"We don't have any more vendor space; we're sold out," deVillier said.

For food lovers, the Agawam Lions Club will sell hamburgers and hot dogs. New food offerings this year include sausage and steak grinders as well as ice cream desserts from Moolicious Farms, which will sell its ice cream-infused apple fritter.

For the kids, there will be face painting by the AHS Arts Club, sand art, temporary airbrushed tattoos, bounce houses and a giant slide. A new activity is a Thousand Cranes Art Studio tent where kids can paint and draw.

Another popular attraction will be the antique car show, sponsored by Sarat Ford Lincoln. Vintage vehicles will be on display from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is no charge to enter a vehicle, so organizers hope to attract a large number of cars for the show.

Awards will be presented at 2:45 p.m. Cars will be judged in three categories – president's award, people's choice award and entrant's choice award.

"Every year when we plan the festival, we try to think of things that will attract everyone to come out and enjoy the day," said de Villier. "The committee takes a lot of time planning this event. We want to make it a success by having something for everybody. We want everyone to have a good time."









Tax bills due Nov. 3

AGAWAM - The second quarter preliminary real estate and personal property tax bills for fiscal year 2015 are due in the collector's office by 4:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3. Bills may also be paid online at www.agawam.ma.us.

Second quarter payment notices were

mailed Sept. 30. By law, bills were mailed to owners of record as of Jan. 1. Any new homeowner or anyone who has not received their real estate or personal property tax bill should contact the collector's office at 786-0400, ext. 8218 to obtain the bill amount.

Tickets available for 'Cash is King'

St. John's Travelers is selling tickets to "Cash is King," the Johnny Cash Tribute matinee show to be held at the Hu Ke Lau in Chicopee, Sunday, Nov. 9. Tickets are \$57 per person and include reserved seating at the show, the meal, taxes and gratuities.

The menu will consist of prime rib of beef or baked scrod, potato, vegetable, dessert and coffee or tea.

This is a self-drive trip with an 11:30 a.m. arrival time. For more information and reservations, call Emile CotŽ at 413-335-9440.

Weeklong tag sale at Senior Center

AGAWAM - The Agawam Senior Center will host a weeklong tag sale, Monday, Oct. 20 through Friday, Oct. 24 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. The public is invited.

Small household items are now being accepted. They may be dropped off at the senior center Monday through Friday from

St. Pat's Committee to meet

The Agawam St. Patrick's Committee will meet Wednesday, Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Father Joyce Room of St John's Social Center. Committee chairmen will present progress reports. The committee president for 2014-2015 is Barbara Foley.

Anyone interested in learning more about the purpose of this committee is welcome to attend.

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Agawam Senior Center

Weekly calendar of events

Monday, Oct. 13: Columbus Day. Senior Center closed.

Tuesday, Oct. 14: 9 a.m., Exercise Class, Sewing Class, Knitting Class; 10 a.m., PACE, Computer Tech Club Meets; 12:30 p.m., Ladies Billiards, Mah Jongg, Movie ("Bewitched"); 1 p.m., Mexican Train Game; 2:30 p.m., Chorus; 4 p.m., Disability Commission Meeting; 4:30 p.m., Yoga; 6 p.m., Beginner Line Dance.

Wednesday, Oct. 15: 8 a.m., Weight Training; 8:15 a.m., Yoga; 8:30 a.m., Meet the Mayor (coffee shop); 9:45 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 10 a.m., Fallon Ins. Representative Available; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Scrabble, Ballroom Lessons; 1:30 p.m., Golden Age Chapter 2 Meeting; 5 p.m., Zumba Gold; 6:30 p.m., Tobacco Valley Artists Meet.

Thursday, Oct. 16: 9 a.m., Foot Care Nurse Available (by appt.), Exercise; 9:30 a.m., No Quilting; 10 a.m., Line Dancing; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Pitch, Open Art; 2 p.m., Melody Band Practice; 6:30 p.m., Pitch.

Friday, Oct. 17: 8 a.m., Yoga; 9:15 a.m., All Media Art; 10 a.m., Tai Chi; Noon, Canasta; 1 p.m., Pitch, Cribbage; 5 p.m., No Zumba Gold.

Lunch menu

Monday, Oct. 13: Columbus Day. Se-

Tuesday, Oct. 14: Tortellini soup, mega meatball grinder with pepper and sauce, watermelon.

Wednesday, Oct. 15: Roast turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce, fresh squash, gravy,

Thursday, Oct. 16: Mushroom burger, macaroni salad, lettuce and tomato, baked

Friday, Oct. 17: Seafood newburg over egg noodles, California blend vegetables,

Some city councilors unhappy with golf course GOLF, from page 1

"I do not understand how he can do that."

Councilor Gina Letellier, who did not attend the meeting, had also been asking questions about an estimated \$40,000 spent on pro shop merchandise that is unaccounted for as revenue. Roberto said some of the merchandise had to be liquidated, resulting in a loss and a failed investment. Councilor Paul Cavallo said he believed it was an honest attempt to make an improvement.

On Monday night at the regular council meeting, Letellier and Council Vice President Dennis Perry said they would still like to see an investigation.

"Coming to the golf course does not answer my questions about missing paperwork," said Letellier.

She also described the behavior the administrative union attorney at the council's workshop as "atrocious."

Johnson also criticized course management for burning through \$280,000 in retained earnings in the past four years and now having a \$22,000 deficit that will have to go on the tax rolls in FY2015.

Councilors James Cichetti and Joseph Mineo both suggested the course needs a point-of-sale (POS) system that can provide inventory control for the course.

"If we want the course and Tony to be successful, we need to provide him with the tools to be able to succeed," said Cichetti.

Cichetti described the meeting with golf course management as very positive and what he had hoped would happen in their workshop meeting.

"We had a great meeting with the golf course," said Cichetti. "Questions were asked, suggestions were made. I think we have had a lot of questions answered. I think we need to put this to bed."

Councilor Robert Rossi, who reiterated Monday night he favors a formal investigation, is very skeptical about the amount of money the golf course is taking in.

He says while revenue is up compared to last year, he believes the course is still going to be at a deficit this year because the rise in revenues was not enough to meet the budgetary needs for FY2015.

"There are still a lot of questions that we need answers to," said Rossi. "We deserve answers and the citizens deserve answers."

Rossi told his fellow councilors he disagreed with Cichetti and believed the meeting held by the mayor was a "pep rally" and yielded few answers for him.

Little was discussed about the financials of the golf course, with Cavallo stating he believed councilors needed to focus on Roberto's tenure for the past two years. The course has lost money in three of the past four years. Cavallo said he was encouraged by the improvements to the course, the parking lot, and the revenue that has been helped by the new and more reliable golf carts purchased this year.

Shea thanked the councilors for supporting the carts and said she believed they have directly contributed to the rise in revenue compared to last year. Roberto said at the meeting more improvements are planned and they are confident they can make the golf course profitable. They hope to continue the upward trend from this year.

The decision to launch an investigation remains on the table following Monday's council meeting. The subject will come up again at the Monday, Oct. 20 meeting.

Mill Street property added to wireless overlay district

WIRELESS, from page 1

Councilor Donald Rheault made a formal request for the council to send a letter to the ZBA asking that they seek a study on the site. The council reached a consensus without a formal vote to send that request.

Councilor Gina Letellier reminded the council that unlike recent zone change requests that have been vehemently opposed by neighboring residents, there have been no complaints about Verizon Wireless' application. No one got up to speak during the public hearings with the city council and Planning Board against the application.

"We have not received any complaints or a single phone call," said Letellier. "When people are against that stuff, they usually are not afraid to call us up and tell us. We have issues with frequency and reception in the center of Agawam. People have a lot of wireless issues. We should pass this."

Letellier also noted the wooded area where the tower will be located will prevent it from being an eyesore.

Ellen Fryman, an attorney for Verizon Wireless who presented the zone change proposal, said with the passage of the zone change by the city council, she will be immediately filing an application with the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Both boards will hold public hearings for the site plan of the tower. Once those steps are completed, the tower can be constructed. Fryman said once construction begins, it will take 10 to 12 weeks for completion. Once completed, a map of current 4G LTE coverage will be significantly improved in the center of Agawam.

There are five other wireless towers already serving the needs of the town.

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In the Classroom

Regular School Committee Meeting

Roberta G. Doering School 68 Main St. Tuesday, Oct. 14 - 7 p.m.

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Moment of Silence
- 3. Roll call of attendance
- 4. Regular meeting 7 p.m.
- 5. Citizen's Speak Time
- 6. Highlights on Education:
- a. New track facility presentation -
- L. Conte and W. Reichelt
- 7. Superintendent's Notes
- 8. Student Advisory Committee representative update
- 9. Unfinished business:
- a. SCR-14-21, Approval of AHS graduation ceremony on Sunday, June 7, 2015, at 1 p.m. at Symphony Hall
- b. SCR-14-22, Approval to establish a Peer Mediation Club as an extracurricular activity at the AJHS with an advisor
- c. SCR-14-23, Authorization to construct a new track, field, and school locker facility at Agawam High School
- d. SCR-14-24. Approval of the Rayna D. Castro Memorial Scholarship

e. SCR-14-25, Authorization to construct a New Early Childhood Center

- 10. Business meeting:
- a. Routine Matters
- 1) Approval of Minutes
- 2) Calendar/Correspondence
- b. Warrants/Transfers
- c. Reports:
- 1). Scheduled reports:
- * Student/Teacher Enrollment (paper eport)
- * HS Course Elimination (paper re-
- * AP and SAT Scores (paper report)
- * Common Core Update Linda DiMartino
 - 2). Subcommittee Updates
- 11. New Business:
- a. SCR-14-26, MASC Resolutions
- b. SCR-14-27, MASC voting delegate and alternate
- c. SCR-14-28, Approval to establish a Science Olympiad Club with advisor(s) at AJHS
- d. SCR-14-29, Approval of "Let's Gogh Art" after-school program at Granger School
 - e. SCR-14-30, Acceptance of a

\$2,469.20 donation from the Tommy Quinn Memorial Committee to the AHS Athletic Department to purchase new baseball uniforms

12. Policy Review:

a. Policy ADDA, Background Checks, 2nd and 3rd readings

b. Policy ADDA-R, DCJIS Model CORI Policy, 2nd and 3rd readings

c. Policy IKE, Promotion Guidelines Grades 9-12, 2nd and 3rd readings

- d. Policy EGA, Cell Phones and Portable Communication Devices, 2nd and 3rd readings
- e. Policy JH, Student Absences and Excuses, 2nd and 3rd readings
- f. Policy JIC, Student Discipline, 2nd and 3rd readings
- g. Policy JII, Student Complaints and Grievances, 2nd and 3rd readings
- h. Policy JK, Student Conduct, 2nd and 3rd reading
- i. Policy KJA, Relations with Booster Organizations, 1st reading
- 13. Any other items that may legally come before the committee
 - 14. Adjournment

'RUGGED MANIACS'



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AGAWAM - Agawam High School sophomores (from left) Hailey Lyne, Jonny Kelly and Taia Vivenzio participated in the Rugged Maniac competition held Saturday, Sept. 27 at Motocross 338 in Southwick. The Rugged Maniac is a three-mile obstacle race which traditionally attracts more non-runners than runners, with the typical competitor "looking for an adventure race and a good party."

Agawam High School Counseling bulletin:

Open Houses: Many colleges are hosting open houses for the next few months. Check the Counseling Center website for times and dates.

Visiting College Representatives: To meet with any of the following college or university representatives that will be visiting the school, sign up at least one day in advance in the Counseling Center: Oct. 8: 8 a.m., American International College; 12:15 p.m., Quinnipiac University; Oct. 14: 10 a.m., Post University.

SAT registration: The registration deadline for the Nov. 8 test is Oct. 9. Register online at www.collegeboard.org.

ACT registration: Late registration is still being accepted for the Oct. 25 test. Late registration ends Oct. 17. Register online at actstudent.org.

Agawam Robotics teams up with YMCA

AGAWAM - Agawam Robotics and the Agawam YMCA have entered into a partnership that will provide the FIRST Lego League (FLL) teams of Agawam the much-needed space for its expanding team membership to hold meetings, while allowing the YMCA to continue its work to help "exercise" the mind as well as the body.

The YMCA has a Tech Center for members, which includes a smart board, computer stations and plenty of space for a FLL table.

The students will also benefit from the YMCA by being offered free membership to its fitness facility. The students' parents and family members will also be eligible for discounted memberships.

The hours of operation for the YMCA are Monday through Friday, 5:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is closed on Sunday.

For more information, visit www.springfieldy.org/family-centers/agawam-ymca-program-and-wellness-family-center/.

Girls STEM Summit: A one-day summit for girls in grades 8-12 who love STEM: Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. This program will be held on Nov. 1 from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at UMass Lowell. Enrollment fee is \$45 (lunch is provided). Register online at www.juniortech.org.

Northeastern University Women in Engineering Day: On Oct. 31, female students interested in engineering should attend to learn more about the engineering program. Students must RSVP before Oct. 24 by emailing: r.reisberg@neu.edu.

Discover Duke: Duke admissions officers will present information and answer questions about the university, the admissions process and financial aid Sunday, Oct. 18 at Boston College High School at 2 p.m. Register online at admiss. ugrad.duke.edu/portal/discover-duke.

Emory University: Will host an admission information session Oct. 19 from 2-4 p.m. in Simsbury, Conn. at the Ethel Walker School. Register online at admission.emory. edu/portal/ewenewengland. **American University:** Will host an admission reception

Oct. 18 from 2-4 p.m. at the Hilton Hartford Hotel in Hartford, Conn. Register online at www.american.edu/admissions/regionalinfosessions.cfm.

Video Game Lab Workshop: Offered at Springfield Col-

lege Oct. 25 from 10 a.m. -3 p.m. Space is limited. Sign up online at springfieldcollege.edu/gamelab by Oct. 20.

Women of Distinction Program: Hosted by Smith College Oct. 17-19. For more information, visit www.smith.

National Hispanic College Fair: AIC will host this event Wednesday, Oct. 29 from 9:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. Register online at www.collegefair.info.

Scholarships: See your counselor or visit the websites below for more information or an application.

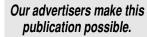
Doering School to host 'Family Carnival'

AGAWAM - The Roberta G. Doering Middle School PTO will host a free Family Carnival for its nearly 600 students, their families and the surrounding community Saturday, Oct. 25 from noon to 5 p.m.

The event, which will take place on school grounds at 68 Main St., Agawam, is the culminating event for the students' six-week fundraising campaign to raise money for class field trips and student programs. The carnival promises to be an exciting event for all who attend and will include carnival games, scheduled entertainment, "street" performers, raffles, horse rides, food vendors and a silent auction put together by the students.

Admission and parking are free and the event is open to the public. For more information, email doeringcarnival@gmail.com.





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Legal Notices

Commonwealth of Massachusetts **The Trial Court Probate and Family Court 50 State Street** Springfield, MA 01103 Docket No. HD14P1877PM In the matter of: Yvonne E Haiec Of: Agawam, MA RESPONDENT (Person to be Protected/ Minor) **CITATION GIVING** NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 & 5-405

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Mary Ann Couture of South Windsor, CT in the above captioned matter alleging that Yvonne E Hajec is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that Mary Ann Couture of South Windsor, CT (or some other suitable person be appointed as Conservator to serve With Personal Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 a.m. on the return date of 10/27/2014. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both.
The above-named person

has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

Witness, Hon. Anne M Geoffrion, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 29, 2014

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Commonwealth of

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Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
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Docket No. HD14P1875GD
In the matter of:
Yvonne E Hajec
Of: Agawam, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated
Person
CITATION GIVING

Person
CITATION GIVING
NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN FOR
INCAPACITATED
PERSON PURSUANT TO
G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Mary Ann Couture of South Windsor, CT in the above captioned matter alleging that Yvonne E Hajec is in need of a Guardian and requesting that Mary Ann Couture of South Windsor, CT (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 a.m. on the return date of 10/27/2014. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to

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WITNESS, Hon. Anne M Geoffrion, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 29, 2014

Suzanne T. Seguin

Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Hampden Probate and Family Court 50 State Street** Springfield, MA 01103 (413)748-7758 Docket No. HD14P1990EA Estate of: John Lincoln Davis Date of Death: 06/24/2014 **CITATION ON** PETITION FOR **FORMAL** ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by: **Judith G Davis** of Feeding Hills MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

And also requesting that: **Judith G Davis** of Feeding Hills MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To

do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on 10/28/2014

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

The estate is being administered under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Anne M Geoffrion, First Justice of this Court.

Date: September 30, 2014

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ACCGS to celebrate business success at luncheon

REGION - The Affiliated Chambers of Commerce of Greater Springfield, Inc. (ACCGS) has announced the honorees for its annual Super 60 award.

The Super 60 program, now in its 25th year, celebrates the success of the fastest-growing and privately-owned businesses in the region which continue to make significant contributions to the strength of the regional economy. To be considered, companies must be based in Hampden or Hampshire counties or be a member of the ACCGS, have revenues of at least \$1 million in the last fiscal year, be an independent and privately-owned company, and be in business at least three full years. Companies are selected based on their percentage of revenue growth over a full three-year period or total revenues for the latest fiscal year.

Among this year's winners were the following local companies: Environmental Compliance Services, Inc., Kittredge Equipment Co., Inc., Sarat Ford-Lincoln, Speciality Bolt & Screw, Inc., Spectrum Analytical, Inc., V&F Auto Inc., and Westside Enterprises, Inc.

The Super 60 companies will be honored at a luncheon Friday, Nov. 14 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Chez Josef in Agawam. Reservations for the luncheon are \$50 for ACCGS members and \$70 for nonmembers. Reservations are required by Nov. 7 and may be made online at www. myonlinechamber.com or by contacting Sarah Mazzaferro at mazzaferro@myonlinechamber.com.

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Fall festival fun



Dreary skies failed to keep locals away from the festival.

Saturday's rain did not put a stop to the sixth annual Agawam Congregational Church fall festival. Local vendors who attended the festival offered the sale of handmade crafts, books, raffles and produce, to list a few. A warm country style lunch was also available thanks to the labors of the congregation members.



From left, Dave Farrell, Stan LaBrecque and David Farrell, Jr. chitchat beside Ferrell Woodturnings booth.

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Decorative floral arrangements were on display and available for sale at the Kristin Creative Designs booth.



An assortment of meditation bracelets were available at the Saltmarsh Studio's booth.



Agawam resident Gail Brunelle admires Oggie's decorative lawn ornaments.



Julie and Megan Orzino of Springfield purchase some fresh vegetables.



Dorothy LaBrecque and her mannequin named Marilyn proudly sell crocheted home goods and accessories under the business name Deestan Crafts.

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Agawam High School's Marching Mohawks performed along the parade route.



Town Clerk, Richard Theroux waved to the people along the parade route.



Jack Nicholson (Jack Bullard), Robert De Niro (Robert Nash) and Danny DeVito (Stu Gordon) riding in the parade.



Agawam Fire Department brought a vintage fire truck.



Agawam Police coming down the Avenue of States.



The Agawam Bowman Club rolling down the parade route

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r Richard Cohen with two of his supporters, Eva & Illine Veras.



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am Day at the Big E.



The Agawam Cheerleaders pose for a shot on one of the Mardi Gras floats.



Kountry (Ray Guillemette) drove his car in the Agawam arade.







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Durocher tally propels Agawam to tie

By Gregory A. Scibelli Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam field hockey team earned a draw against visiting South Hadley last Wednesday afternoon after a long shot from near the top of the arc pulled the Lady Brownies even at halftime

Agawam was trailing 1-0, but was attacking throughout the second half. South Hadley had just gotten a penalty corner opportunity when the Brownies got the ball back in transition.

The Lady Brownies moved the ball all the way up the field and Morgan Durocher had possession on the edge of the circle. She took a long, hard shot from the left side into the right corner of the goal to knot up the score.

South Hadley actually dominated a lot of the possession in the game. Coach Tara Cole said she was very happy with the way the Lady Tigers played against a much better and more experienced opponent.

"Agawam is a much better team than their record shows," said Cole. "They definitely kept us up on our toes throughout the game. Agawam has a strong history of very strong teams."

South Hadley was on the attack from the onset of the game. Despite having a few chances near the circle, there was no score after 14:00 of play.

That changed in the 15th minute when Julia Gagne was moving up the left side of the field and then curved in toward the goal. She cross the ball to the right. The ball went off Agawam goalie Katalina Gomez's pads. Hannah Menard, who returned to action recently following a concussion, got a touch on the ball and scored to give South Hadley a 1-0 lead.

The Lady Tigers went right back on the attack after one Agawam advance, and then owned possession for the majority of the first half.

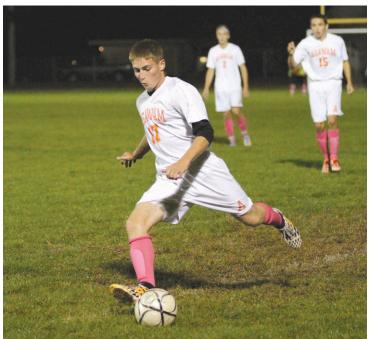
Agawam was able to get a penalty corner during the final 2:00 of the half. A shot on goal went wide left of the goal.

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Sabrina Dubiel tries to retain possession of the ball.



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Cam Rivest sets to clear the ball away for the Brownies.

Hurricanes late strike stops Agawam

By Gregory A. Scibelli Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – It came down to a late second half goal from Amherst to down the Agawam boys soccer team 1-0 last Wednesday night at Harmon A. Smith Field.

Agawam was facing one of the top teams in Western Massachusetts this season and a team that has received national recognition by the coaches' association as one of the top teams in the country.

The Brownies looked better, however, and had numerous scoring opportunities throughout the first half thanks to some great play by their front lines.

Tym Regnier had one of the first good shots of the first half. He took a free kick from close range. After two other players made fake shots, Regnier made an excellent shot on the goal, with the ball going slightly over the crossbar.

Amherst moved the ball well when they had possession. But it was Agawam that had the majority of the scoring chances.

"I thought we really played Amherst well throughout this game," said coach Tom Smith. "We really carried the possession throughout the game."

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McCarthy shuts down Brownies

Offense comes to life in second half

By Tim Peterson Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW - Alyssa Szymczyk and Emily McGourty are two of the eight seniors listed on the Ludlow girls varsity soccer roster.

Szymczyk and McGourty, who have known each other since they were in the sixth grade, combined for the Lady Lions first goal against Agawam leading to a 2-0 shutout victory in a non-league match played under the lights at Ludlow High School, last Tuesday night, Sept. 30.

"Emily and I have been friends since we were in the sixth grade," Szymczyk said. "When we were in the eighth grade, we combined for a goal in the PVJLS (Pioneer Valley Junior Soccer League) finals, but this was the first time that we combined for a goal in a varsity game. It was a pretty good



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Agawam's Sarah Carron (2) looks to step into a kick with her left foot.

feeling."

It was the Lady Lions, who had a 7-1-3 overall record at the beginning of this week, third consecutive shutout and sixth overall this season. They've gone 5-0-3 since losing at East Longmeadow, 3-2,

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Defense, penalties hurt Brownies

Torres scores two touchdowns

By Gregory A. Scibelli Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam football team suffered it's first loss in four weeks as they were upended by Amherst, 38-28, last Friday night at Harmon A. Smith Field at

The Brownies had the lead, but Amherst's offense broke through in the second half and ran away with the game. Agawam was hurt by poor defense at time and penalties.

The teams traded scores early in the game with Agawam striking first. The big difference in the first half was Agawam's special teams.

Agawam scored on a Gio Russo 4-yard run to take a 6-0 lead. Amherst responded early in the second quarter when Taj-Amir Torres made an 8-yard run for a touchdown to tie the score 6-6.

Later in the second quarter, Agawam was able to move the ball toward the end zone again, with Russo scoring on a short yardage run again to give Agawam the lead. Sean Moore was able to kick the extra point to give Agawam a 13-6 lead.

Amherst gave up the ball to Agawam on their next possession, but the Brownies could not do any-

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In-Town Basketball programs for boys and girls

AGAWAM - The Agawam Parks & Recreation Department is currently taking registrations for boys and girls age 4 and older In-Town Basketball Programs.

Boys and girls age 4 (by December 1) or currently enrolled in Kindergarten are welcome to register for a newly added Bitty Basketball Program on Saturday mornings at 8:00.

Boys and Girls in grades 1 and 2 are welcome to register for the YMCA Instructional Basketball Program on Saturday mornings at either 10 a.m. or 11 a.m.

Boys in grades 3 through 8 may register through Oct. 10. As of Oct. 14, the fee will increase \$25.

Girls in grades 3 through 8 may call the Parks and Recreation Department and be put on an interest list. If there are enough girls an In-Town league will be formed or Agawam teams may be put together to join another league.

Boys and girls in grades 9-12 are welcome to register by Dec. 5 for the High School In-Town Basketball League.

Please feel free to call the Parks and Recreation Department at 821-0514 with any questions about these basketball programs or any other offerings. More information can be found on the Parks and Recreation Department's website found at www.agawam.ma.us

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The Brownies got a penalty corner out of the gate in the second half. The ball was moved around by several players in the circle, but South Hadley cleared it away.

The Brownies got another corner with 26:00 remaining, but missed a shot there.

Agawam continued to have better luck with possession, but South Hadley's defense was excellent, keeping the Brownies out of their circle until there was 10:00 remaining.

Brittany Cote made five saves in

the draw for South Hadley. Gomez made three for Agawam.

South Hadley would go on to beat Holyoke last Friday while Agawam tied Southwick the same day

Agawam and Holyoke will face off on Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. South Hadley will be at Palmer that same day at 4 p.m.

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Madison Gabel moves the ball away from South Hadley.

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at the beginning of September.

"We're also in a much more comfortable position than we were in at this time last year. We just have to continue playing well like we've been doing," said Ludlow head coach Katie Marino, who's approaching her 100th career varsity victory. "I thought we played very well during the first half and Agawam came out hungry at the start of the second half."

A year ago, the Lady Lions missed qualifying for the Western Mass. Division 1 Tournament by only one point. They began this week's action with 17 points and they needed only one more point (two points for a win, one for a tie) in their final seven regular season matches in order to qualify for the postseason tournament.

"We're a much closer team this season, which wasn't the case last year," Szymczyk said. "It just feels great to be this close to qualifying for the postseason tournament."

While the Lady Lions players can start thinking about the postseason tournament, the Lady Brownies (2-6-2) still have a lot of hard work to do to accomplish the same feat.

"It was a very tough night for us, but we're still hoping to make the postseason tournament this year," said Agawam head coach Laura Wray-Ramos. "They were the dominate team in the first half and we did come alive in the second half. We just weren't able to make

a comeback tonight."

The non-league match was scoreless until the 19th minute of the first half.

That's when McGourty, who's a first-year varsity player, sent a crossing pass to Szymczyk on the right side. She then dribbled the ball up the field and fired a shot past Agawam junior goalkeeper Jenna Beach, who was credited with nine saves in the contest.

It was McGourty's first assist and it was also Szymczyk's first goal of the season. Szymczyk now has nine career varsity goals with five of them coming when she was a sophomore.

A little more than 10:00 later, sophomore forward Julianna Iwasinski put a beautiful shot from the right side into the left corner for an unassisted goal giving the home team a 2-0 lead. It was her fourth goal of the season.

"Julianna is a natural goal scorer," Marino said. "I was a little bit comfortable having a 2-0 lead, but I was really hoping that we would've scored a couple more goals."

The Lady Lions, who outshot the Lady Brownies, 10-0, in the opening half, had several other very good scoring chances, but the score was still 2-0 at halftime.

Ludlow also had several more scoring chances in the second half, but they couldn't put any more shots into the back of the net past Beach.

"I thought that our goalie played spectacular the whole game,"

Wray-Ramos said. "She was aggressive and didn't allow any more goals during the second half."

Beach received plenty of support, especially in the second half, from her defensive unit led by freshman Cassandra Jones, sophomore Katelyn Grasso, senior Kaitlyn Martin, and senior Lindsey Wassung.

Down at the other end of the field, Ludlow senior goalkeeper Meghan McCarthy only had to make one save in the match, which came on a corner kick during the second half.

The Lady Lions defensive unit was led by sophomore Nissa Pereira, sophomore Taylor Masse, junior Morgan Foye, and senior Kelsey Jordan.

"Our four defenders and goalkeeper have really jelled as a group this season," Marino said. "I'm very happy with how well they've been playing lately."

The Lady Lions concluded last week with a 3-0 road victory against Westfield, last Thursday afternoon. The three goal scorers in that contest were junior midfielder Jennifer Hackett, senior midfielder Molly Palatino, and senior midfielder Olivia Santos.

The Lady Brownies lost 2-0 against Minnechaug, last Thursday night.

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Agawam's Lindsay Wassung (6) heads the ball away.



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Agawam's Jillian Scherpa (5) waits for the ball to settle down.

COLLEGE NOTES

Rackliffe named to MASCAC Weekly Honor Roll

WESTFIELD - Framingham State sophomore middle hitter and Feeding Hills resident Alycia Racliffe was recently named to the MASCAC Women's Volleyball Weekly Honor Roll.

She averaged 9.5 kills in a 2-2 week for the Rams, including 14 kills in a 3-1 win over Salve Regina University and 11 kills in a 3-0 loss to Connecticut College.



Lofty goals still on par for Brownies

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – The Agawam golf team now has their eye on returning the Western Massachusetts Division 1 Tournament, and then moving on to the state tournament as a unit.

The tournament match is just around the corner as Agawam golfers will be set to participate in the championship in 11 days. Agawam has built a 13-4 record this season and after action earlier this week, have just two matches remaining in the regular season. They will have a rematch against Belchertown and will make up a rained out match against South Hadley.

Agawam has had a very strong season, going 10-0 in their first 10 matches before scuffling a bit against Minnechaug and Longmeadow. Minnechaug actually could be one of the teams to beat in the tournament this year with two defeats over Agawam.

But both matches were by very close scores. Minnechaug won by three strokes the first time and five strokes the second time in a match held on Monday afternoon at Crestview Country Club.

That match was a very tough afternoon for all competitors with Minnechaug's top two players, Matt Gurski and Dave Robinson, carding 40's to get the win, very atypical for the top golfers in a given match. The win brought Minnechaug to 13-1 this season, with six more matches to go.

Matteo Godek and Zach Circosta both struggled a bit as did freshman standout Jon Farrell, who had a rough match and has struggled a bit recently after starting out the season very strong.

The Agawam and Minnechaug golfers will not have the same "near-home" course advantage they are used to with this year's tournament happening at a remote location and one neither team has played at, Wyantenuck Country Club in Great Barrington.

Agawam will hope to build some momentum heading into the final match of the season, they will also have the advantage of having a ton of practice will only one match scheduled in the final week of the season. Agawam was fortunate to have just one rainout during the regular season. They are scheduled to face Belchertown this afternoon, then South Hadley on Tuesday before having the rest of the week to prepare for Western Mass.

Agawam also will not have to travel with their final three matches being played at their home course of Crestview.

Agawam will be looking to avenge a one-stroke loss against Belchertown when they face them today. South Hadley is a league opponent also looking to make a statement before the tournament.

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PIRANHAS WIN 2014 SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIPS



Turley Publications submitted photo by Kendra Martland

AGAWAM - The Agawam Piranhas won the Pioneer Valley Summer Swim League Championships for their summer season! The Piranhas are the Park and Rec Team for the Town of Agawam and boast 105 swimmers. Lead by Coaches Kaitlin Reilly and Sean Pennington and Assistant Coaches Kendra Matland, Becca McKiernan and Sarah Welch, the team pulled out a championship win at Smith College to end their season with a championship score of 1926 points over second place East Longmeadow at 1760. The team swam against nine teams of the Pioneer Valley. The team also celebrated SIX record breaking races with scores surpassing all those who have swam for the Pioneer Valley Summer Swim League in the past. Record breaking swims for the Piranhas were: Summer Smith 100 Individual Medley 1:07.52, David Wheat 100 Freestyle 53.33, David Wheat 50 freestyle 24.38, John Wheat 50 breaststroke 31.65, David Wheat, John Wheat, Matthew Norris, Matthew Winter 200 Medley Relay 1:57.62, and David Wheat, Matthew Norris, John Wheat, Matthew Winter 200 Freestyle Relay 1:43.84.

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Amherst almost got on the board with about 10:00 remaining in the game with a corner kick. The kick was redirected with a header that went left of the goal.

Another difficult header was caught by Agawam goalie Alex Sours.

It was scoreless at halftime and both teams had a tough time getting near the goal for about 15 minutes.

Nick Hanchette made a great shot with about 23:00 remaining. He took a shot from about 35 yards away. The shot had a chance at the right corner of the net, but Amherst goalie George Holt made a diving safe to preserve his shutout.

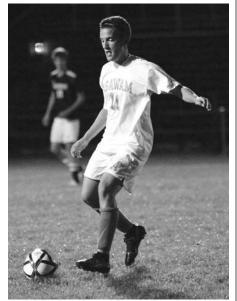
With 20:00 left in the game, Luke Webb got a thru-ball in transition. He outran Agawam's defense and crossed right to Alex LaRaja. LaRaja was alone on right side and redirected the ball into the open part of the net to make it 1-0 Amherst.

Agawam had several good chances to score throughout the final 20:00 of the game, and Smith said he felt the Brownies showed a lot in the loss.

"I am hoping the guys will be proud of how they played tonight," said Smith. "Amherst is an excellent team and we held them to just one goal.

Sours made 10 saves for Agawam in the defeat.

The Brownies were able to even their re-



Turley Publications photos by Gregory A. Scibelli Anthony Sciartelli controls the ball in the midfield.

cord again when they defeated Longmeadow 2-1 last Friday afternoon. Stephen Mateus and Luis Nieves each scored. Sours made eight saves. The Brownies scored both their goals in the first half.

Agawam is 5-5-1 and must grab seven more points in the final seven games to qualify for the tournament.

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thing. Moore's punt landed in Torres' hands. Torres ran 45 yards for a touchdown. But Amherst's kicker failed a second time, and Agawam had a 13-12 lead at halftime.

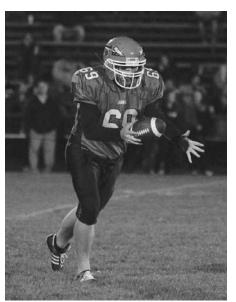
Agawam was able to extend the lead to start the second half. Gio Russo ran 15 vards through the middle and into the end zone for a touchdown. Quarterback Troy Gallerani made a quick pass to Jason Carleton for the two-point conversion to give Agawam a 21-13 lead.

From there, Amherst took over, starting with a Jamie Carey run to bring Amherst within three points 21-18. Amherst would score 26 points in the final 15:00 of the

Agawam only managed a touchdown midway through the fourth quarter when Gallerani connected with Carleton for a 24-yard pass. Moore kicked the extra point to allow Agawam to retake the lead briefly 28-24.

Torres then scored the go-ahead touchdown late in the fourth quarter on a 77-yard pass from Carev.

Gallerani had his best passing game of the season for Agawam. He went 8-for-17 for 151 yards and one touchdown. Russo also had his best game of the season on the ground, running 17 times for 103 yards and three touchdowns. Carleton had four catches



Turley Publications photos by Gregory A. Scibelli Sean Moore sets to punt the ball

for 71 yards and a touchdown.

Agawam is now 2-2 and will play at Northampton Friday at 7 p.m.

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Luis Nieves holds his position with an Amherst midfielder coming on.



Dominic Grassetti tries to power through the Amherst defense on a run.

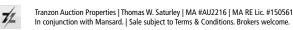
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POLICE LOG

The Agawam Police Department responded to 331 calls for service from Sept. 23 to Sept. 29. The department made 13 arrests. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.

Tuesday, Sept. 23

A juvenile from Agawam was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Alonzo McQueen, 24, of 30 Commonwealth Ave., 1st Floor, Springfield, was arrested on a charge of violation of an abuse prevention order.

A juvenile from Agawam was arrested on charges of false fire alarm, malicious damage to a motor vehicle, and disturbing school.

Thursday, Sept. 25

Matthew Broden, 21, of 6 Hope Farms Drive, Agawam, was arrested on three default warrants for failure to appear, and charges of an arrestee furnishing a false name and social security number and resisting arrest.

Ronald M. Hence, 44, of 51 Bradford Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested on two counts of domestic assault and battery.

Friday, Sept. 26

Jonathan Matthew Lapinski, 19, of 316 Boston Neck Road, Suffield, Conn., was arrested on a charge of person under 21 in possession of liquor.

William Lawrence Skinner, 18, of 1411 North Grand St., West Suffield, Conn., was arrested on a charge of person under 21 in possession of liquor.

Saturday, Sept. 27

Elizabeth Stanislawski, 57, of 91 Federal St. Ext., Agawam, was arrested on charges of domestic assault and battery and assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

Ryan Pastoreck, 29, of 53 Hall St., 1st Floor, Springfield, was arrested on a charge of operating a motor vehicle with license suspended, subsequent offense.

Sunday, Sept. 28

A juvenile from Agawam was arrested on a charge of malicious damage to a motor ve-

Monday, Sept. 29

Benjamin Nunez, 30, of 32 South Blvd., West Springfield, was arrested on charges of failure to stop/yield and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Ronald M. Hence, 44, of 51 Bradford Drive, Feeding Hills, was arrested on a default warrant for failure to appear.

Luis A. Rodriguez, 67, of 33 Norman Terrace, Apt. 90, Feeding Hills, was arrested on a default warrant for failure to appear and a charge of violation of an abuse prevention

The Agawam Police Department responded to 300 calls for service from Sept. 30 to Oct. 6. The department made 8 arrests. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.

Tuesday, Sept. 30

Mark Lemieux, 46, of 23 Suffield St., Apt. 35, Agawam, was arrested on charges of malicious damage to a motor vehicle and threat to commit a crime.

David McKenzie, 28, of no known address, was arrested on charges of domestic assault and battery, home invasion, breaking and entering in the nighttime with intent to commit a felony, and malicious destruction of property over \$250.

Wednesday, Oct. 1

Ella Yuriy Dzhezherukha, 21, of 27 Aububon St., Feeding Hills, was arrested on charges of assault with a dangerous weapon, intimidating a witness, and domestic assault and battery.

Yuriy Dzhezherukha, 54, of 27 Audubon St., Feeding Hills, was arrested on two counts of domestic assault and battery and intimidating a witness.

Thursday, Oct. 2

William L. Gray, 49, of 23 Suffield St., Apt. 28, Agawam, was arrested on a default warrant for failure to appear and town ordinance violation - 94C 1 ounce or less Class

Friday, Oct. 3

Warren Wayne Williams, 57, of 170 Meadowbrook Road, Agawam, was arrested on charges of operating a motor vehicle with license suspended, operating a motor vehicle with registration suspended, uninsured motor vehicle, and a default warrant for failure

Saturday, Oct. 4

James Charles Crowley, 34, of 1850 Northampton St., Apt. 221, Holyoke, was arrested on charges of operating a motor vehicle with registration revoked, uninsured motor vehicle, operating a motor vehicle with license suspended, illegally attaching plates to a motor vehicle, and a straight warrant for failure to appear.

Monday, Oct. 6

Jacob Rodriguez, 42, of 23 Suffield St., Apt. 21, Agawam, was arrested on a default warrant for failure to appear.

FIRE LOG

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The Agawam Fire Department responded to 71 EMS calls and the following emergency response calls for the week from Sept. 30 to Oct. 6.

On Oct. 1 at 8:12 a.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for unintentional transmission of alarm, other.

On Oct. 1 at 4:06 p.m., the department responded to Clover Hill Drive to assist

On Oct. 2 at 1:53 p.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for passenger vehicle fire.

On Oct. 3 at 11:09 a.m., the department responded to Main Street for alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional.

On Oct. 3 at 3:40 p.m., the department responded to Suffield Street for motor vehicle accident with injuries.

On Oct. 4 at 12:23 p.m., the department responded to Route 57 Rotary for motor vehicle accident with no injuries.

On Oct. 4 at 5:17 p.m., the department

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responded to Main Street for alarm system activation, no fire - unintentional.

On Oct. 5 at 10 a.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for alarm system sounded due to malfunction.

On Oct. 5 at 11:35 a.m., the department responded to Debra Lane for system malfunction, other.

On Oct. 5 at 5:18 p.m., the department responded to Route 57 Rotary for passenger vehicle fire.

On Oct. 6 at 11:15 a.m., the department responded to Southwick Street, was dispatched and canceled en route.

On Oct. 6 at 3:24 p.m., the department responded to Federal Street, was dispatched and canceled en route.

On Oct. 6 at 5:08 p.m., the department responded to Suffield Street for cooking fire, confined to container.

On Oct. 6 at 8:21 p.m., the department responded to Beekman Place for public service assistance, other.

'Maya's Warriors' helping to fight blindness

A spaghetti dinner fundraiser to benefit Maya Valentina Penna is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 18 at the Dante Club, 1198 Memorial Ave., West Springfield from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

Maya is the daughter of Nicholas and Gabby Penna, of New York. Her father, formerly of Agawam, is now stationed in Afghanistan. She is the granddaughter of Diane Peters, former longtime resident of Agawam.

Maya was born with a condition called Leber Congenital Amaurosis, LCA, which is an inherited retinal degenerative disease. In other words, she is blind. The news has caused the family to join forces to help raise much-needed money for research to help Maya and the many other people with this condition.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children six and under and may be purchased in advance by calling Kathy Rothschild at (413) 374-3038; Joanne Keyes at (413) 374-9787; Amy Rothschild at (413) 478-9324 or Jill Kolinsky at (860) 644-

In addition to the dinner, family and friends will walk in honor of Maya at the Vision Walk to be held in Brighton Sunday, Oct. 26. For more information on the Vision Walk, type Vision Walk-Boston into your web browser and enter "Maya's Warriors." The team name is Maya's Warriors -Bache's Bunch.

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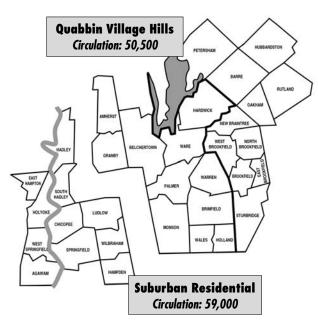


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Out & About

OUR CALENDAR SECTION is intended to promote "free" events, or those that directly affect a volunteer-driven organization. Paid events that are not deemed benefits do not qualify. Non-charitable events that charge the public for profit are not allowed as we consider that paid advertising. The deadline to submit calendar items is Monday at noon. Send to the Agawam Advertiser News at aan@turley.com, fax to 786-8457, or mail to 23 Southwick St., Feeding Hills, MA 01030. We usually print at least one week prior to an event. The listings should be brief with only time, date, location, activity explanation and contact information.

Friday, Oct. 10

THE AGAWAM CULTURAL COUNCIL'S POPULAR APPLAUSE SERIES continues tonight at 7 p.m. at the Agawam Senior Center with a performance by The Argiro Quintet and its program of music in the style of legendary jazz pianist George Shearing. The Agawam Senior Center is located at 954 Main St. and can be reached by phone at (413) 821-0604. This and all Applause Series events are free and open to the public.

Saturday, Oct. 11

THE ITALIAN CULTURAL CENTER OF WESTERN MASS. will present "Festa Italia, A Taste of Italy, Food & Wine" from 5 to 8 p.m. at The Cedars Banquet Hall, 375 Island Pond Road, Springfield. For more information, visit www.iccwm.org.

THE HOLYOKE MERRY-GO-ROUND is open Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. for the fall season. Located in Holyoke Heritage State Park, it is just a quick walk through the park from the Children's Museum at Holyoke. For more information, call (413) 538-9838 or visit www.holyokemerrygoround.org.

Sunday, Oct. 12

THE WEST SPRINGFIELD COIN CLUB will meet at the Church of the Good Shepherd, 214 Elm St., West Springfield at 7 p.m. A presentation and discussion will include facts about the 1883 Liberty Nickel. Guests welcome. For more information, call Peter Setian at 596-9871.

THE SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS will host a "mini tour" at 1 p.m., led by Betty Romer, D'Amour Museum of Fine Arts, focusing on "Currier & Ives." The tour is free with museum admission and secure, free onsite parking is available.

Monday, Oct. 13

THE HOLYOKE MERRY-GO-ROUND will be open from noon to 4 p.m. for the Columbus Day Holiday. For more information, call (413) 538-9838 or visit www.holyokemerrygoround.org.

Tuesday, Oct. 14

THE AGAWAM SENIOR CENTER will host a free movie ("Bewitched") at 12:30 p.m. The public is welcome.

ADULT DROP-IN SIT AND KNIT meets every Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library. No registration needed.

SUSAN BRANCH, AUTHOR OF 14 BEST-SELLING "HEART OF THE HOME" lifestyle books, will be the guest speaker at the Westfield Library/Athenaeum at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$5 each and may be purchased by calling (413) 568-4650 or email apkoerber@yahoo.com.

Wednesday, Oct. 15

THE LADIES GLEE CLUB AND MEN'S CHOIR at the Springfield Turnverein are back to work. Practice is held every Wednesday with the ladies beginning at 7 p.m. followed by the men at 8:30 p.m. All are welcome. There is space available for anyone interested in joining.

Thursday, Oct. 16

THE AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH FAMILY PLAYGROUP, which takes place at the church at 745 Main St., Agawam, is open to children birth through age 5 with a parent or caregiver and meets weekly on Thursdays from 9:30-11 a.m. It includes crafts, stories, songs, free play and more. For more information, call 786-7111 or email jbrownacc@verizon.net.

THE SPRINGFIELD MUSEUMS AT THE QUADRANGLE will present "A Tourist View of North Korea" featuring Anush Dawidjan and world adventurer, traveler and storyteller, at 12:15 in the Museum of Fine Arts at 21 Edwards St., Springfield. Admission is \$4 (\$2 for museum members). Parking is free. For information, call (413) 263-6800, ext. 488.

UPCOMING AND ONGOING

THE AGAWAM HARVEST FESTIVAL AND FAMILY FUN DAY, hosted by the Agawam Rotary Club, will take place Saturday, Oct. 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Agawam Veterans Green. The day's events will include a live DJ all day, car show, music, food, crafts face painting, a bounce house and a giant slide. The public is invited. Admission is free. Rain date, Oct. 19.

A HOLIDAY BAZAAR will take place Saturday, Oct. 18 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 19 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Mary, Mother of Hope Parish, corner of Page Blvd. and Roosevelt Ave., Springfield. The public is invited.

HISTORIC TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, located at 361 Sumner Ave., Springfield, will hold its Fall Craft Fair Saturday, Oct. 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. In addition to over 30 community vendors, there will be homemade baked goods and the ever-popular luncheon. Admission is free. The public is invited.

EXPERIENCE MUSIC AT UNITED will present Jerry Noble, Smith College accompanist and composer, and Lynn Klock, saxophonist and bass clarinetist with the Springfield Symphony Orchestra, in concert Sunday, Oct. 19 at 3 p.m. at Skinner Memorial Chapel of the United Congregational Church of Holyoke. Suggested donation, \$10; \$5, students and seniors. For more information, visit www.uccholyoke. org or call (413) 532-1483.

THE TUESDAY MORNING MUSIC CONCERTS at Trinity United Methodist Church in Springfield will feature Sudie Marcuse, soprano, Becky Rosendahl Isaacson, organ, and Mark Winer, Tenor, Oct. 21 at 10:30 a.m. Free refreshments are provided after the performances. For more information, contact Yolanda Martin, 25 Valentine St., Springfield or call 736-0766.

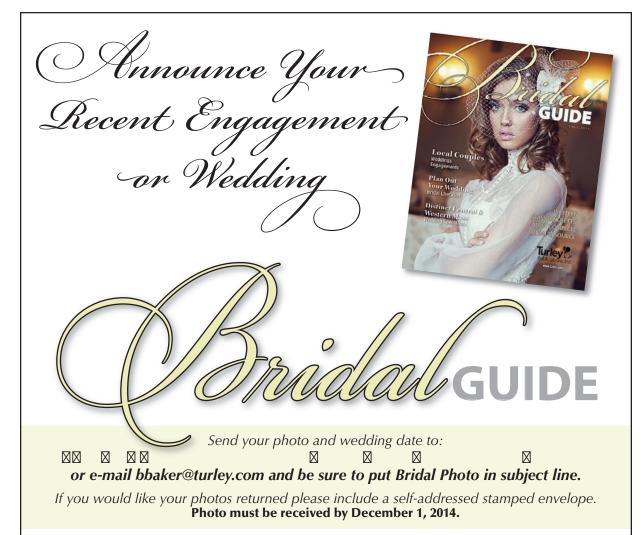
THE AGAWAM HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION will hold its Annual Stars, Serenade and Stone Soup candlelight evening Friday, Oct. 24 from 6-8 p.m. at the Thomas Smith House, 251 North West St., Feeding Hills. Winners of the Scary Story Contest will read their winning entries. Kids' activities, hearth baked bread and soup will be served along with period music by candlelight of the 1700s

THE ROBERTA G. DOERING MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO will host a free Family Carnival for students, families and the community Saturday, Oct. 25 from noon to 5 p.m. The event will take place on school grounds at 68 Main St., Agawam, and will include carnival games, scheduled entertainment, "street" performers, raffles, horse rides, food vendors and a silent auction put together by the students. Admission and parking are free. For more information, email Doering-Carnival@gmail.com.

THE ELM-BELCHER MASONIC LODGE, 53 River St., Agawam offers an all-you-can-eat spaghetti supper Wednesday, Nov. 12 at a cost of \$7 for adults, \$4 for children. The public is welcome.

A BLOOD CANCER SUPPORT GROUP meets the fourth Tuesday of each month, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Agawam Senior Center conference room. A light dinner is served. For more information or to register, call (413) 789-0200, visit www.springfieldmed.com, or email survivorshipprogram@gmail.com.

A CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP meets the third Thursday of each month, 6 to 7:30 p.m., at the office of Maryann Paleologopoulos LICSW, Inc., 2 South Bridge Drive, Suite 1B, Agawam (at the rotary). Refreshments served. For more information or to register, call (413) 789-0200, visit www.springfieldmed.com, or email survivorshipprogram@gmail.com.



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South Hadley Wedding: Sept. 13, 2014



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CONTEST WINNERS



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AGAWAM - The Agawam Historical Association held its fourth Annual Apple Pie Contest Oct. 4 at the Thomas Smith House located on North West Street in Feeding Hills. Serving as judges for the event were Sue Scantlen, Alice Smith, Don Anderson and contest coordinator, Marilyn Curry. This year's winners were, from left, Donna Clapp, third place, with her dad, Bob who supplied the apples for her winning pie; Carol Miller, first place; and Liz Johnson, honorable

Cat food drive scheduled

Homeless Cats will hold a dry cat food drive Saturday, Oct. 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Geissler's Supermarket on Suffield Street in Agawam.

The group's mission is to care for the cats outside that have no one to care for them. Volunteers bring food and water daily to

AGAWAM - The Agawam Friends of over 24 sites and provide small shelters when possible. They work toward preventing unwanted kittens from being born into poor living conditions.

Dry cat food and canned cat food may also be dropped off at 184 Poplar St., Feeding Hills. For more information, call 413-786-



St. John's to host vendor's fair

AGAWAM - St. John the Evangelist Guild will host its third Annual Vendor's Fair, Saturday, Oct. 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the parish center, located at 833 Main St., Agawam. In addition to raffles and a bake sale, the fair will include local crafters and vendors. The public is invited.

'Food Fest West' to feature area restaurants

AGAWAM - The West of the River Chamber of Commerce (WRC) will hold its Annual Food Fest West Wednesday, Nov. 5 at Chez Josef in Agawam, starting at 5:30 p.m. The event is sponsored by United Bank, Baystate OBGYN, Insurance Center of New England, OMG Inc., Ormsby Insurance and V&F Automotive.

The event will feature the foods of area restaurants, including Chez Josef, Classic Burgers, Crestview Country Club, Lower Pioneer Valley Educational Collaborative, Magic Spoon, Nina's Cookies, Steaming Tender, Partners Restaurant, Tekoa Country Club, and Tokyo Asian Cuisine.

Proceeds raised by Food Fest West will go toward the Partnership for Education and the WRC Educational Fund, which provides grants to businesses for on the job training and continuing educational needs.

Tickets are on sale now and are \$25 in advance or \$30 at the door. Tickets may be purchased online at www.westoftheriverchamber.com.

The West of the River Chamber of Commerce (WRC) provides legislative advocacy, marketing and sponsorship opportunities, networking, educational and information programs for businesses in Agawam and West Springfield.

For more information, call 413-426-3880 or email info@ westoftheriverchamber.com.



